

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in the application. Claims 1-9 were indicated as being allowable, as described in paragraph 6 of the Office Action. Claims 1, 4 and 7 are the only independent claims.

As suggested in paragraph 2 of the Office Action, Fig. 11 has been designated by the legend --Prior Art--. Accordingly, the objection to the drawing should be withdrawn.

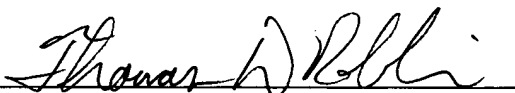
The specification has been amended to place the application in correct idiomatic English.

Claims 1, 4, 7 and 8 have been amended in a manner to prevent the claims from being construed under 35 U.S.C. § 112, sixth paragraph, without narrowing the scope of the claims as originally presented. The remainder of the amendments to claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8 generally place the claims in better U.S. form without narrowing the scope of the claims as originally presented.

If there are any outstanding issues that might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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